

The True Northerner.

PAW PAW, MICHIGAN.

BAD ILLINOIS WRECK.

MISSISSIPPI SUFFERING BY FLOOD.

Perished from Exposure—Violent Crash on the Southwest Road—Serious Condition of Southern Crops—Two Fatalities at St. Paul.

DITCHED AND BURNED.

Disastrous Wreck on the Jacksonville Southern, Caused by a Broken Rail.

The worst accident which has ever happened in the history of the Jacksonville Southern Line occurred just above Havana, in Mason County, Ill. The express between Chicago and St. Louis was on its way down, when a broken rail was struck, derailing the engine and throwing the entire train from the track. The train was made up with combined baggage and express car, a smoker, chair car, and two sleepers. The baggage car crashed into the tender of the engine and was soon in flames, which were speedily communicated to the smoker, while the chair car was set on fire by the heater. There were not very many passengers on board, and by almost a miracle but one person was killed outright, and that was the fireman, who was pinned in the wreck and burned to death, but little being found of his body.

DAMAGING DOWNPOURS.

Five Inches of Rain Falls in Thirty-six Hours in the State of Mississippi.

The severest rainstorm for years prevailed throughout almost the entire State of Mississippi for thirty-six hours. Five inches of rain fell at Vicksburg, and the heaviest rainfall ever known is reported from many points. All the smaller streams have overflowed their banks, and much damage has been done to roads and bridges. The railroads have been badly washed out, and trains are all delayed or abandoned. At Yazoo City the river reached ten inches above the highest point reached last year and was still rising. All the cotton warehouses are more or less submerged, and many families, mostly colored, living in the lower portion of the city, have been driven from their homes. West Point, Canton, and Memphis report the hardest rain for years; the whole country being covered with water and railroad traffic entirely suspended.

PERISHED IN SNOW.

Father Gratton Sacrifices His Life in Trying to Keep His Appointment.

The Rev. Father Gratton, Catholic priest of Regina, N. W. T., was found dead five miles outside of that city. He left to assist in the elections. On the return his team gave out and Father Gratton walked on, being anxious to reach Regina for services, but perished from exposure.

Southern Crops Backward.

The Atlanta Constitution prints a review of the farming situation throughout the South, based upon the declaration of the Hon. R. T. Nesbit, Commissioner of Agriculture, that the prospect had not been so bad in forty years. From South Carolina, Alabama and Mississippi reports are that farm work is fully one month behind, and that with the most favorable prospects the record of last year could not be attained. The consensus of opinion is that the reduction of acreage and the delay in farm work will cut off the cotton yield by at least half a million bales. Other crops are likewise backward.

Carefully Planned Incendiarism.

At Listowel, Ontario, incendiaries bound and gagged the night watchman at Hess Brothers' furniture factory, and then fired the premises, which were totally destroyed. The water-works pumps and fire-alarm had been tampered with to insure the destruction of the factory. The loss has not yet been estimated. There is \$30,000 insurance on the building.

Trains Crash Together.

A bad wreck occurred on the Southwest Railroad at Meyer Station, Pa. A passenger engine ran almost through the rear end of a wrecking train. The express was nearly filled with passengers, but all of them escaped serious injury save three. When the crash came the passengers rushed for the doors and escaped as if by miracle.

An Army Sunk.

A court-martial is booked at Fort Omaha, Neb., in which developments of a sensational character are promised, growing out of the battle of Wounded Knee and the Indian campaign, and the manner in which an officer evaded the dangers incident thereto by securing a physician's certificate of disability. The gallant Capt. H. E. Caffey, Second Infantry, is alleged to be slated for investigation.

Sick Legislators.

Twenty-five members of the South Dakota Legislature are seriously ill at Sioux Falls. Two have died during the session, and one is reported to be beyond hope of recovery. The general ailment is pneumonia. Inadequate ventilation of the State-house, which permits of a multitude of draughts, has caused all the trouble.

Consigned His Ashes to the Ohio.

The Ohio River received the ashes of Prof. Wilhelm Steffen of Louisville, Ky., according to the provisions of his own will. He directed that his executors should convey his body to Cincinnati, have it cremated, and then consign the ashes to the waters of the Ohio River. The ceremony was as simple as it could be made, and was carried out without attracting publicity.

Burned to Death.

John Hokenson, a saloon-keeper of St. Paul, Minn., was burned to death by the explosion of a gasoline stove. Shortly after this accident a fire occurred, and a woman named McCarthy was so badly burned that her death is certain.

Brooklyn Tabernacle Funds.

Of the \$250,000 worth of bonds issued in order to take up the indebtedness and finish the new Brooklyn Tabernacle, \$25,000 of the issue has been subscribed for by the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, Russell Sage, it is said, will exchange his \$125,000 mortgage for the same amount in bonds.

Killed by the Sight of Bloodshed.

Colonel Israel Underwood, who was a spectator of the recent tragedy in Columbus, Ohio, has died. The cause of his death is remotely attributed to the shock which he received at the tragedy and exposure from attending the coroner's inquest afterward.

HAS THE HICCUGHS.

Michigan's Governor Very Ill, and 'Tis Thought Will Die.

Gov. Winans is thought to be dying. He has had hiccoughs for thirty-six hours. A dispatch says:

Gov. Winans, of Michigan, has been afflicted with hiccoughs, from which his physicians have thus far been unable to give him more than temporary relief. Like these attacks, which are usually the result of nervousness, the Governor's trouble returns after he has had long seasons of refreshing sleep. The attending physicians expressed considerable alarm at the Governor's condition. They fear that there is something serious back of the hiccoughs, because of their constant recurrence.



EDWIN R. WINANS.

In December last Gov. Winans was very sick for several weeks with a stomach trouble, and the doctors apprehend that the present difficulty is due to this same cause. There is no concealing the fact that both the Governor's physicians and his family fear that the alarming feature of his illness has not yet fully appeared, and it is not improbable that he is afflicted with a fatal malady, and may never again enter upon the active discharge of duties.

ASSASSINS IDENTIFIED.

Italians on Trial Recognized as the Slayers of Chief Hennessy.

Testimony is being taken in the trial of the murderers of Chief Hennessy at New Orleans, and in a sitting of over seven hours about twenty witnesses were examined. Politz was identified as one of the men who brought some guns in sacks to an Italian grocery on Poydras street two days before the shooting. He was also identified as being present at the shooting and slipping and falling while running away, his gun going into the gutter, where it was picked up the next day. When arrested he had a wound on his wrist as if it had been scraped. Politz stated that he was innocent; he also said that he was present at the meeting before the killing, and divided up the money between those who were to do the shooting, though he failed to say who the conspirators were. The fact that the State did not ask for severance in Politz's case, but kept him on trial, was regarded as an indication that his statement was either not credited or that it was not important. Scaffidi was identified as the man in the oil-cloth coat who stood at the corner and fired at Hennessy, and Scaffidi, Politz, Sinceri, and Hatali are recognized as the men who stole away in the darkness.

JUSTICE METED OUT.

A Missouri Murderer Expires His Bloody Crime.

John Oscar Turlington was hanged at Booneville, Mo., for the murder of Sheriff Cramer, of Cooper County. Turlington's neck was broken.

A year ago while going through Missouri Turlington was ordered from a freight train. While jumping off the car he fired at the brakeman and ran away. He was arrested and lodged in Booneville jail. On the night of June 14, as Sheriff Cramer was unlocking his cell, Turlington drew a revolver and shot the Sheriff, who died the next day. Turlington escaped from the jail, but was captured the following day a few miles from Booneville. On the trial he was convicted of murder and sentenced to hang on Sept. 17. The case was taken on appeal to the Supreme Court. On Nov. 1 Turlington escaped from jail, but was captured in Kentucky Nov. 12. On Jan. 27 last the Supreme Court rendered its decision sustaining the decision of the trial court and fixing the date of the execution.

BURGLARS CAPTURE \$150,000.

The Sale of the Freeport (Pa.) Bank Cracked by Experts.

Expert burglars made an attempt to rob the Freeport (Pa.) Bank, and were partially successful. They drilled and forced the combination of the vault door, then drilled and forced the combination lock of the middle door, getting into the large steel safe inside. In the steel vault were twenty private boxes, filled with valuable bonds, money, and stamps. All of these were broken open and the contents taken. Banker Ludwig had over \$40,000 in negotiable bonds taken, his son Charles \$1,000 of the same. Mrs. Pillow lost over \$5,000 in bonds; Miss Gibson, postmistress, over \$200 in postage stamps, and Dr. McClelland several thousands in bonds and many valuables. There were over \$150,000 in money, bonds, and other valuables stolen.

SIX MEN DROWNED.

Loss of a Raft on the Cumberland River with All on Board.

A Princeton, Ky., special says: News has just reached here of a terrible casualty on the Cumberland River a short distance from this place. Curtis Boyd, a merchant of Canton, started a raft in charge of six men for Paducah, and when only a day out they were overtaken by a terrible gale. They managed to get the raft into the bank and it. The high waves broke it loose from its moorings, and it drifted into midstream, where the steamer Reagan passed it. The water was then running over the raft. The men made signals of distress, but the boat fearing to go to the wreck passed by without making an effort to rescue them. The six men were drowned.

ALL HANDS WERE SAVED.

Arrival of the Steamer Chester with the Crew of the Hi-Fate Iowa.

The Standard Oil Company's steamer Chester, from Rotterdam, arrived off Sandy Hook, bringing the first correct tidings of the loss of the big Warren Line steamship Iowa. These tidings show that instead of having been lost through a collision with an iceberg the Iowa sprang a leak after being stranded by field and drift ice, and had to be abandoned when half filled with water. All on board the unfortunate vessel, numbering seventy-nine souls, were saved and brought to New York on the Chester.

NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH.

A Sleigh Load of Merry-makers Thrown Out in the Nick of Time.

What might have been a serious accident occurred at Houghton, Mich. A sleigh load of people were going to a concert in an adjoining town, it being necessary to cross a lake on the ice on the way. Before reaching the lake the horses took fright and dashed down on the ice at a terrific speed,

and out to where a hole had been made by ice harvesters. When near the cut the team swerved, throwing out the people, and almost immediately the horses and sleigh disappeared through the ice into the water beneath. The loss of horses, sleighs, etc., is about \$1,500. The thermometer was 32 degrees below zero.

MANY VESSELS STILL BLOCKADED.

The Cardiff Employers' Victory Not So Complete as Claimed.

Although the Bute docks claim a victory in the struggle with the dockers, a considerable number of vessels are still blockaded at Cardiff, while contributions pour in for the support of the men on strike. The shipping federation is spending large sums of money for free labor at Aberdeen with very little apparent result. The free labor men generally drop away after a day or two, and many are found worthless and have to be discharged. Nevertheless the shipping federation is resolute in maintaining its principle that men shall be employed irrespective of union affiliations.

Rancher and Robber.

At Brownsville, Texas, after weeks of patient watching, City Marshal Britts has caught and brought to jail from the st. gang of train robbers. He has in custody a prominent rancher living not over fifty miles from the city, who is not the actual leader, but was prominent in the schemes. The prisoner has wealthy friends who are trying to clear him, but there seems hardly a doubt that the right parties are now under arrest. From confessions made by some of the parties Marshal Britts hopes to bag the whole gang and recover a good portion of the stolen money.

McKinley Tariff Suits.

The attorneys of Charles Wyman & Co. appeared before Judge Thayer in the United States Circuit Court at St. Louis, and asked that an order be issued compelling the United States appraisers of New York to return the papers in the appeal case of Charles H. Wyman & Co. from the appraisers' decision and not appeal from the St. Louis port of entry. This is the case wherein the constitutionality of the McKinley bill is questioned, and Mr. Wyman sues to recover \$1,481 collected under the bill. Judge Thayer took the matter under advisement.

Hanged Himself.

A young girl who had been in the ladies' waiting-room at the Union station in Pittsburgh entered the lavatory. As she did not appear in a reasonable time Matron Elizabeth Hempt knocked at the door, but received no response. The door was forced open and the woman was found hanging from the gas jet, suspended by a towel around her neck. The body, yet warm, was cut down and carried to the waiting-room. Physicians were called, but the woman was dead and the body was removed to the city morgue.

Disappearance of a Drummer.

George Sperber, a drummer for a wine and liquor house of Sandusky, has disappeared at Springfield, Ohio. He made collections aggregating \$100 and took numerous orders. He frequented low dives, and four weeks ago was enticed into one and locked into a room with two women, who tried to drug him, but failed. It is believed that he has been enticed into a low dive and robbed and killed.

Starving Negroes.

At Oklahoma, O. T., a deplorable state of affairs exists among the negroes who have lately immigrated to the Territory. They have come to the number of several thousands, with the understanding that the Government would feed them and give them a piece of land, and they are now opening their eyes to the fact that the land is all taken by white men. They are on the verge of starvation.

Simple and Private.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Senator Hearst were held at his residence in Washington, D. C. The services were of the simplest character, and consisted of the reading of the offices for the dead by Rev. Dr. Douglas, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church. The services were concluded by Dr. Douglass reciting the apostles' creed, in which those present joined.

Fled with a Chicago Woman.

Fred W. Lee, head clerk of the Hotel Eastman, at Little Rock, Ark., absconded for parts unknown, and it is alleged that quite a large sum of money is missing from the hotel safe. The affair created a sensation, inasmuch as it was rumored that a well-known Chicago lady, who had been a guest of the hotel for several weeks, had accompanied Lee. Both left on the same train.

Heirs to Millions.

Several heirs to an immense fortune which, it is said, was left from the estate of Robert Edwards, of Kentucky, have been discovered in Houston, Tex. The inheritance involves the right of ownership in land on Broadway, Wall street, and under and around Trinity Church, New York City. The property is said to be valued at \$267,000,000.

Mormons Flooded Out.

Mail advices from Phenix, A. T., say: "The second rise in the Salt River was several inches higher than the last one. Phenix or Tonpe had no material damage done them. The Mormon settlement of Florence is nearly destroyed. The bridge at Florence was washed away and the town is supposed to be flooded."

Burned Three Men.

Fire is again raging at the Meyer mine, near Scottsdale, Pa. Big volumes of smoke are issuing from the openings. The officials still claim that the fire is due to incendiaries, and accuse the strikers. The bodies of three men who are supposed to have been in the shaft at the time the fire broke out, have not yet been recovered.

Trouble in Hawaii.

A prominent merchant from Honolulu brings news of a conspiracy, formed by Colonel Ashford, to seize the Hawaiian Government and make the Queen a mere figurehead. The scheme was similar to the one engaged in by Wilcox four years ago.

Incinerated Himself.

Charles D'Aurimont, of Angelica, N. Y., had been in ill health for some time, his mind being affected. Making a pile of hay on his barn floor he set fire to it and laid himself down on the mass. He was burned to death.

Beaten and Robbed.

John E. Siefried, night operator at the Louisville and Nashville depot at Nashville, Ill., was attacked by unknown parties and beaten into insensibility with a coupling pin. The contents of his money-drawer and the operator's gold watch were taken.

Players Have More Rights.

The National Base-ball League, at its convention at New York, adopted new form of contract, which virtually does away with the reserve clause and gives the players more rights.

Blown Off the Dock and Drowned.

There was a heavy gale at Buffalo, N. Y.; the wind had a velocity of fifty-five miles

an hour. Several minor accidents are reported. Herman Shafer, bookkeeper for the Erie elevator, was blown off the dock into the river and drowned.

Steamer Guiding Star Ashore.

The big New Orleans steamer Guiding Star, valued at \$50,000, is hard aground below the mouth of Mill Creek near Cincinnati, and will probably break in two and become a total loss.

About Kansas Aliens.

The Senate bill prohibiting aliens from holding lands in the State, and providing that all lands held by aliens at the end of seven years shall revert to the State, has been passed by the Kansas House.

Killed in a Mine Explosion.

Carelessness of miners caused a mine explosion in the Nottingham Colliery at Plymouth, Pa. One man was killed, two were mortally injured, and two others seriously burned.

A New Mint.

President Harrison signed the bill for the erection of a mint at Philadelphia on the one hundredth anniversary of the day on which President Washington signed the bill establishing the mint in that city.

Alleged Rioters Arrested.

At Pittsburgh, Pa., President Rae, Master Workman Wise, and others of the Union mine workers, were arrested, charged with conspiracy, riot, and assault, for their connection with the coke strike.

Bushyhead Scores One.

Ex-Chief Bushyhead, of the Cherokee Nation, obtained a restraining order enjoining Lieutenant Golden from removing Bushyhead and his employees from the strip and destroying his buildings and machinery.

Joined the Revolutionists.

Advices from Chili state that three battalions and the Fourth Regiment of Government troops, stationed near Pisagua, have shot their officers and declared in favor of the revolutionists.

The Strike to Be Settled.

The strike of the Monongahela River miners, in Pennsylvania, by which 10,000 men have been out of employment since January 1, is now in a fair way of settlement.

Rebated Illicit Distilleries.

A party of United States officials have just completed a raid through Western Florida, resulting in the capture and destruction of twenty-six illicit stills and the arrest of thirty men.

The Condition of Business.

R. G. Dun & Co. reported that prices were rising and that this is the only wholesome factor in business, which is expected to improve with better crops.

A Delaware Execution.

Shakespeare Reeves was hanged at New-castle, Del., for felonious assault committed upon little Grace Clark, a white girl of 11 years, near New Castle on Sept. 28.

Six of the Crew Lost.

News comes from Hong Kong that the American ship Vigilant, which recently arrived at that point from New York, lost six of her crew while on the outbound passage.

Fire at Madison, Wis.

Fire completely destroyed the extensive agricultural and carriage warehouse and offices of the S. L. Sheldon Company, at Madison, Wis. The loss will reach \$40,000.

Thanked the Grand Army.

General Sherman's family has written to the head of the Grand Army, thanking the members for all tokens of respect and sympathy.

Confession of an Assassin.

Manuel Politz, identified as one of the assassins of Chief of Police Hennessy at New Orleans, has made a confession. What he said is not divulged.

The Work of a Negro.

In a New York suburb a negro named Perkins snatched, gagged and bound a cab-driver named Farrell and then robbed his house.

To Vote a in Australia.

The Australian ballot bill was signed by the Governor of Nebraska and it is now a law, having passed with an emergency clause.

A Confessed Murderer.

A negro named Dayton confessed at Denver, Colo., the murder and robbery of James Wade at Kansas City, Mo., two years ago.

Optional with Juries.

The Arkansas House has passed a law making the punishment for murder in the first degree optional with juries.

Seven Frozen to Death.

Seven laborers working on the Great Northern extension in Montana were frozen to death.

Two Dozen Drowned.

Twenty-four oystermen were drowned at the mouth of the Warwick River in Virginia in a gale.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to Prime.....	3.25	3.75
HOGS—Good to Choice.....	4.00	4.25
SHEEP.....	3.00	3.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	96 1/2	96 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28
RYE—No. 2.....	87	89
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	30	35
CHEESE—Full Cream, Dutch.....	18	19 1/2
EGGS—Fresh.....	17	18
POTATOES—Western, per bu.....	1.10	1.15

INDIANAPOLIS.

CATTLE—Shipping.....	3.50	3.75
HOGS—Choice Light.....	3.00	3.25
SHEEP.....	2.00	2.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	96 1/2	96 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28

CINCINNATI.

CATTLE.....	3.00	3.50
HOGS.....	2.00	2.50
SHEEP.....	2.00	2.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	96 1/2	96 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28

DETROIT.

CATTLE.....	3.00	3.50
HOGS.....	2.00	2.50
SHEEP.....	2.00	2.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	96 1/2	96 3/4
CORN—No. 2.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28

TOLEDO.

WHEAT.....	1.00	1.05
CORN.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28
CLOVER SEED.....	4.50	4.65
CATTLE—Common to Prime.....	4.00	4.25
HOGS—Light.....	3.25	3.50
SHEEP—Medium to Good.....	4.50	4.65
LAMBS.....	4.50	4.65

MILWAUKEE.

WHEAT—No. 2 Spring.....	95	97
CORN—No. 2.....	48	49
OATS—No. 2.....	27	28
RYE—No. 2.....	87	89
BUTTER—Creamery.....	30	35
CHEESE—Full Cream, Dutch.....	18	19 1/2
EGGS—Fresh.....	17	18
PORK—New Mess.....	10.50	11.25

NOT A BAD NIHILIST. THE NATIONAL SOLONS.

SERIOUS STEPNIK TELLS OF RUSSIAN ATROCITIES.

Man Who Have Committed No Crime Sentenced to the Mines Without Trial—Even Little Children Are Now Banished to Siberia.

Sergius Stepniak, who is a nihilist in Russia but not in the United States, is now lecturing in this country and has recently spoken in Chicago, St. Paul and Milwaukee.

The great question in Russia to-day, he says, is to throw overboard the autocracy and substitute a constitutional monarchy, the same as that found in Italy, England and all European countries except Turkey. This movement began in Russia more from a religious spirit than a political one. Russia to-day is passing through a period similar to what France passed through before its great revolution. Nihilists in Russia who are sincere and earnest as a general rule in their work for a better government are compelled to submit to the most extreme suffering from the heavy penalties inflicted upon them by public officers.

The speaker, in a recent lecture, gave in detail the manner of organizing nihilist societies among the workmen. Nothing was done that was considered violent at first. The societies heard lectures on all scientific and social topics for their educational benefit. The ideas of better government were sown in a quiet way. There was nothing political or revolutionary. It was a religious movement in the full sense of the word. But it had in time assumed a political dress. Officers of the government, seeing the drift of the ideas taught by the



SERGIIUS STEPNIAK.

nihilists, soon began to arrest them on charges of organizing revolutionary societies dangerous to the Czar's dynasty. The prisoners were sentenced to ten, twelve and fifteen years in Siberia. The speaker told of his own arrest with three others, and the four were marched off to prison. But one prisoner was a nihilist, and managed to get the prison guards drunk during the night, and the four prisoners escaped.

After two hours of hard walking the prisoners reached almost the point from which they had started. They had lost their way in the dark and had missed the road to the railway station thirty-five miles from the prison. The fugitives saw a light in a small house and ventured in, only to be received by a constable. But the speaker had a copy of an old song in his pocket, which he palmed off on the illiterate constable for a passport.

The prisoners forged their own passports, and, escaping from the country, Stepniak found refuge in London. The speaker then referred to the system of trials, by tribunal and by administrative justice, so called, in Russia. Men were allowed a jury in the tribunal system, and sometimes were acquitted. But in the administrative justice system they were arrested, convicted, and exiled to Siberia without even knowing what charge had been placed against them, or knowing the names of their accusers. They were often taken away by officers to Siberia without knowing the point of destination. The speaker gave a graphic description of the inhuman conditions of the prisoners in Siberia. Two young women who were confined in jail were forced to disrobe before a crowd of brutal men from the fortress. One young officer was arrested for being a nihilist, who went insane while in jail, but he was tried and executed while in his demented condition. Out of 193 prisoners at one place in 1877, seventy-four died from privations in Siberia, and now there were only five or six of them alive. These prisoners were simply propagandists who had committed no crime, but had simply spoken what they believed. Where one prisoner gets a trial there are twenty-five who are convicted without a trial.